### Introducing the Master of Intercultural Ministry

International mission Tent-making ministry Serving cross-culturally



## Where could intercultural training take you?

The Master of Intercultural Ministry (MIM) is designed for those who already have an undergraduate degree (any discipline). It is shaped around you and the ministry journey you want to take.

You may have a degree in accounting and want to serve in a not-for-profit or mission agency overseas. The MIM will provide you with the intercultural preparation you need. You may have a theology degree but wish to broaden your intercultural training. The MIM will provide you with the practical skills for effective service. In fact, the MIM is a great option for anyone wanting focused and practical training for intercultural ministry.

#### **Program Overview**

The MIM is a 108 credit points / 12 units Masters award, which commences with a Graduate Certificate of Intercultural Ministry (36 credit points / 4 units).

Taken over 1.5 years (full-time) to 4.5 years (part-time), you can complete your studies at your own pace as you balance your various work, life and ministry commitments.

A selection of core, electives and practicum units are required for this award. Your core units include Bible, Theology and Cultural Understanding units providing a foundation for future electives. By design there is plenty of flexibility in elective choices. For those who crave even more options or have a focused interest area, you can undertake an Independent Guided Study or Research Unit.

An important feature of the MIM is the opportunity to practically engage in intercultural ministry with international mission trips and imbedded study experiences (dependent on availability and travel restrictions).

Without compromising your learning outcomes, ACOM's educational approach is designed to be very flexible. Units are taken over three trimesters, each 12 weeks in length. Online content allows you to study at your own pace and in your own space, while face to face facilitations (most units) provide a collegiate and inspiring learning community.

An online student lounge gives opportunity for discussion and connection with like-minded students and ministry practitioners in Australia, while the practical mission trips allow you to experience intercultural work as you discern God's call on your life.

# Units Required

### Select total of 12 units:

#### **Core units**

Bible and Theology (2 units)

- B8101 Introduction to Biblical studies (exemptions are available for those with a suitable degree)
- **T8140** Biblical Theology of Mission

#### **Core units**

**Cultural Understanding** (5 units)

- M8100 Introduction to Intercultural Mission
- M8120 Anthropology for Christian Mission
- M8140 Encountering Living Faiths of the World or
- M8143 Ministering to the Muslim World
- M9227 Intercultural Communication
- **S8104** Spiritual Preparation for Intercultural Ministry (year-long unit)

#### **Electives**

Choose 2 or 3

- P8158 Cultural Dynamics in Team Ministry
- M9232 Spiritual Warfare and Mission
- M9275 Transformational Development in a Global Context
- M8101 Missiological Hermeneutics
- M8191 Missional Spirituality
- M9291 The Missional Leader
- M9293 Independent Guided Study Mission (9 cps pre req)

Bible or Theology Unit from AQF 8-9 list

M8190 Research Methodology (Mission)

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### **Practicum**

Choose 1-3

M8128Engaging in<br/>Intercultural MinistryM9296Research Project<br/>in MissionM9297Research Project<br/>in Mission<br/>(Note: double unit which<br/>requires taking one of the<br/>elective spaces)M9299OrM9299Capstone in Mission (9cp)

The Master of Intercultural Ministry is accredited by the Sydney College of Divinity (SCD). SCD is accredited by the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA).

I served overseas for about 20 years. Three big surprises were: people received God's Word in a non-western way, they talked often about spiritual oppression, and my self-knowledge was poor. It excites me to see how the MIM addresses such matters. I highly recommend it as excellent preparation.

-Alison Dench

# **Ready to start** your journey?

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